

PUTS COTTON CROP AT 10,950,000 BALES

GOVERNMENT FORECAST ON YIELD
SMALLEST IN SIX YEARS.

Ginning Is Far Advanced and Picking
Practically Completed in
Some Sections.

Washington, Oct. 4.—A heavy decline in the condition of the growing cotton crop almost doubled the average decline of the last ten years during September, has decreased the production prospects forecasted previously by four million bales. The department of agriculture today estimated the crop at 10,950,000 equivalent 500-pound bales, which would be the smallest crop since 1909.

The condition of the cotton crop of the United States on September 25 was 60.8 per cent of a normal, compared with 69.2 per cent on August 25, 73.5 last year, 64.1 in 1912, and 68.8 per cent the average of the past ten years on September 25. That announcement was made at noon today by the crop reporting board of the United States department of agriculture, in its final condition report of the season.

The September 25 condition indicates a yield of 168 pounds of lint per acre, which, applied to the planted acreage less the average abandonment—1.3 per cent—indicates a total of 10,950,000 equivalent 500 pound bales, compared with 16,135,000 bales ginned last year. Final results probably will be above or below the amount indicated, according as conditions after September 25 are better or worse than average.

Statement by Board.

In announcing the condition report and production estimate, the crop reporting board made this statement.

"The cotton crop condition declined 8.4 points during the month, August 25 to September 25, which compared with an average decline in the same period in the past ten years of 4.5 points. The estimated condition of 60.8 per cent of normal on September 25 forecasts a yield per acre of about 168 pounds and a total production (allowing a reduction of 1 per cent from planted area for abandonment) of about 10,950,000 bales. Last year's production was 16,130,000 bales and the 1913 crop 14,156,000. A crop less than 11,000,000 bales would be smaller than any crop since 1909.

"The unusual deterioration has been due principally to the extremes of weather conditions; periods of excessive rainfall, cold weather and drought having characterized the season in most of the cotton belt. Lack of fertilizer, and poor quality of that used has been an unfavorable factor in the eastern portion of the belt. There is little promise of a top crop, except in the northern portions of the belt, due to the climatic conditions and the unusual activity of the boll weevil; and where a top crop is setting in the northern portions of the belt, the latest report of the crop there makes realization dependent upon future favorable weather and frost.

"The month, much of it warmer and dry, has been generally favorable to picking. A much larger percentage of the crop is ginned to this date than in the usual year. In much of the southern portion of the belt ginning is far advanced and in some sections there, picking is practically completed."

Comparisons By States.

Comparisons of conditions, by States, follow:

State—	1015.	1914.	Aver. 1915.
Virginia	80	80	76
N. Carolina	70	79	73
S. Carolina	63	81	73
Georgia	61	81	73
Florida	62	81	71
Alabama	57	78	69
Mississippi	62	68	65
Louisiana	60	67	60
Texas	57	70	67
Arkansas	63	69	68
Tennessee	71	70	73
Missouri	72	72	74
Oklahoma	63	80	66
California	95	96	93

The indicated yield per acre, as forecast from the September 25 condition, with comparisons, and the area planted this year, by States, follow:

States—	1915.	1914.	age	Acres.
Virginia	260	265	228	36,000
N. Carolina	248	290	240	1,333,000
S. Carolina	208	255	223	2,399,000
Georgia	168	239	195	4,684,000
Florida	112	175	125	202,000
Alabama	140	209	176	3,382,000
Mississippi	180	195	195	2,728,000
Louisiana	159	165	174	1,139,000
Texas	145	184	171	10,365,000
Arkansas	176	196	191	2,193,000
Tennessee	202	200	200	813,000
Missouri	288	270	293	107,000
Oklahoma	176	212	181	2,102,000
California	499	500	...	35,000
All other	17,000

The crop reporting board's final estimate of the size of this year's crop will be announced Friday, December 10, at 2 p. m.

BURGARIAN REPLY NOT SATISFACTORY

Answer to Russian Ultimatum Brings
Rupture in Diplomatic Relations
With Anti-German Allies.

Sofia, Oct. 5 (via Paris).—The Serbian minister today asked for his passports.

Others Follow.

Sofia, Tuesday, Oct. 5 (via Paris).—The Russian, French, British and Italian ministers have asked for their passports, Bulgaria's reply to the Russian ultimatum being unfavorable.

RUSSIAN MINISTER INFORMS BULGARIA

Tells Sofia Government of Rupture of
Diplomatic Relations Between
Two Countries.

London, Oct. 7.—A Reuter dispatch from Sofia sent by way of Petrograd says:

"Bulgaria's reply to the Russian ultimatum is unsatisfactory. The Russian minister has notified Premier Radoslavoff of a rupture of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

"Russian interests in Bulgaria have been confined to the Dutch charge d'affaires.

"Bulgaria's reply was delivered at 2:40 o'clock the afternoon of October 5 (Tuesday)."

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

County of Newberry.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Mary Alice Dominick, in her own right and as Administratrix of the Personal Estate of J. H. Dominick, Deceased, Willie Lake Dominick, Victoria Elizabeth Dominick, Furman T. Dominick and Jacob Raymond Dominick, Plaintiffs,

Against

James P. Cook, Ezra A. Counts, Sidney Eugene Cook, Ruby Cook, Annie Cook, Paul Cook and Alice Louise Counts, Defendants.

By virtue of an order of the court herein, I will sell before the court house at Newberry, S. C., on sale day in November, nineteen hundred and fifteen (1915), the same being the first day of said month, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, all that piece or parcel of land, lying and being situate in the county and State aforesaid, containing one hundred and ten (110) acres, more or less. The same being located near the town of Prosperity, and being bounded, now or formerly, by Dick Wheeler, Anderson Nates, E. M. Cook, J. D. Kibler, J. C. Counts and the public road leading from Prosperity to Columbia, the same being known as the "Home Place" of the said J. H. Dominick.

Terms of Sale: One third of the purchase money to be paid in cash, the balance on a credit of twelve months, with interest from day of sale, at the rate of eight per cent per annum; to be secured by bond of the purchaser, and mortgage of the premises; said mortgage to provide for ten per cent attorney's fees, in case of foreclosure or collection by suit. Purchaser to pay one hundred dollars immediately upon the acceptance of his bid, and if he fails to do so, land to be resold, immediately, at his risk, with leave to the purchaser to anticipate the payment of the credit portion, in whole, or in part. Purchaser to pay for papers, stamps and recording of same.

H. H. RIKARD,
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TAX NOTICE.

County Treasurer's Office.

The books for the collection of State and county tax will be open from October 15 to December 31, 1915.

Those who prefer to do so can pay in January, 1916, with 1 per cent; those who prefer to pay in February, 1916, can do so by adding 2 per cent; those who prefer paying from March 1 to March 15, 1916, can do so by adding 7 per cent; after March 15, 1916, the books will be closed.

N. B.—Taxpayers owning property in more than one township or special school district will please inform me when paying or writing for the amount of his or her tax. This is very important, there being so many special school districts.

Those who wish to pay by the 31st of December, 1915, and do not care to come to the office, will please write for the amount not later than December 25, 1915. After that time I am too busy to answer letters promptly.

In sending stamps, nothing above a 2-cent stamp should be sent, as I cannot use them.

If money is sent, it would be best to register same; if sent otherwise, it must be at sender's risk.

By referring to your tax receipts of 1914, you will know the township and special school district, or both, in which your property is located.

The levy for 1915 is as follows:

	Mills.
State	5½
Pensions and Confederate Infirmary	1
Repairs State Hospital For the Insane	½
Ordinary county	3½
Court house	½
Roads and bridges note	¾
Ordinary county note	¾
Roads and bridges	1
Constitutional school tax	3
	15½

Except the following localities, where an additional railroad tax has been levied:

	Mills.
Township No. 1	1½
Township No. 8	3

And except the following school districts, where special school tax has been levied:

	Mills.
No. 1, Newberry	6
No. 5, McCullough	2
No. 9, Deadfall	2
No. 10, Utopia	1
No. 11, Hartford	2
No. 12, Johnstone	2
No. 13, St. Lukes	4
No. 14, Prosperity	6½
No. 15, Saluda	2
No. 16, O'Neill	2
No. 18, Fairview	2
No. 19, Swilton	4
No. 20, Big Creek	4
No. 22, St. Philips	4
No. 23, Rutherford	7
No. 26, Pomaria	10½
No. 27, Garmany	2
No. 30, Little Mountain	2
No. 31, Wheeland	2
No. 33, Jolly Street	4
No. 34, St. Pauls	2
No. 35, Excelsior	2
No. 39, Chappells	4
No. 40, Old Town	4
No. 41, Dominick	2
No. 43, Bush River	2
No. 44, Smyrna	4
No. 45, Trinity	4
No. 48, Jalapa	4
No. 49, Kinards	4
No. 57, Whitmire	8
No. 55, Fork	2
No. 56, Zion	4
No. 57, Belfast	2
No. 58, Silverstreet	6
No. 59, Pressley	2

A poll tax of One Dollar has been levied on all male citizens between the ages of 21 and 60 years, except those exempt by law.

A tax of 50 cents each is levied on all dogs.

Persons liable to road duty may pay a commutation tax of \$2.00 from the 15th of October, 1915, to the 31st day of December, 1915.

All taxpayers remember all taxes have been listed separately, and please see that you have a receipt for each piece of property so listed.

JOHN L. EPPS,
County Treasurer.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Columbia, Newberry and Laurens Railroad company will be held at the office of the company, 1124 Taylor street, Columbia, S. C., Tuesday, October 19, 1915, at 12 o'clock m. If you can not be present in person, please authorize someone to act for you.

C. P. Seabrook,
Secretary.



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Shoes! Shoes!

When in need of Dry Goods, Shoes and Notions don't fail to visit T. M. Sanders, The New Store, where you know you will get new goods and new shoes at a low price.

Remember we handle the Red Riding Hood School Shoe, not one of the best, but the best. We also handle one of the strongest lines of men's and women's work shoes that could be bought. We also handle a nice line of ladies' and gents' dress shoes. Don't fail to see them before you buy.

Hosiery! Hosiery!

Just received 100 doz. ladies', gents' and children's Hose. We carry the best When you buy once you will always be our customer. Prices 10, 12½, 15, 25 and 50 cents.

Underwear! Underwear!

Men's medium weight Ribbed Underwear, extra good quality, at 48c.

Men's heavy weight fleeced lined underwear at 48c.

Ladies' light and heavy Underwear 24 to 48c.

Don't fail to see this line before buying.

New Curtain Material

We offer you for this sale extra nice curtain material, the 10c kind, at 9c the yard; 12½c kind at 11c the yd; 15c kind at 14c. Now is the time to make your homes look new.

Table Linen

Not old goods carried over, but something new, 50c kind the yd 48c. Extra good quality, the 25c kind, this sale 23c the yard.

New Ready-to-Wear

Children's ready-to-wear Dresses in many different patterns, 50c kind for 48c; 75c kind at 70 cents.

Hemmed Counterpanes

98 cents to \$1.48.

We will always treat you nice whether you buy or not, we do not expect to sell every person that calls on us.

I have with me Miss Frankie Paysinger and Mr. George Long. They have had years of experience in the dry goods business and know how to treat you nice. They will be glad to see their many friends.

Don't forget the place.

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Specials for Saturday Only

For Saturday only we will sell 10 yds of regular 10c bleaching for 50c, only 10 yds to the customer; 20 yds 36 in. Sanders' special, Sea Island for \$1.00. 20 yds to the customer.

7 bars Octagon Soap and 1 lb Arbuckle Coffee for 45 cents. One package to customer.

One box Toilet Soap, the 25c kind, 5c box, one box to customer.

Overalls

The best on the market.

Carhartts, one that wears well, fits well, looks well, and wears like the skin of a cow's back. Wear Carhartt's once and you will always wear Carhartt Overalls.

Southern Silk

Just received shipment of Southern Silks, something for the boys' blouses. See this line of goods that will wear well.

Boys Suits

We have a nice line of Boys Suits, 8 to 15 years, to offer at a bargain.

Job lot of Men's Suits, extra good value, while they last, from \$5.00 to \$13.50.

Dress Gingham

A beautiful line Gingham just arrived, all colors. Don't fail to see them.

Storm Serge, All Wool

New line of Storm Serge, navy blue, black, tan and brown, 50c kind at 48c.

Silk Poblins

In the latest stripes, the kind everybody wears, 50c kind for 48c.

Towels

We will sell the best 10c Towel on the market Saturday 3 for 25c.

The above are only a few of the many good values we offer. Come and see our new line.